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FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, SY

SUBJ: PL 480 AGREEMENT WITH SYRIA

I WANT TO EXPRESS MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION FOR THE  
ACHIEVEMENTS OF JAMES DURNAN (AID), RAYMOND SHEGOGUE  
(AGRICULTURE) AND AGATT SHACKFORD PITCHER WHICH  
CULMINATED IN YESTERDAY'S SIGNING OF THE PL-480  
AGREEMENT WITH SYRIA. ALL THREE ARE REAL PROFESSIONALS  
WHO WORKED HARD AND SHOWED EXEMPLARY PATIENCE. THEY  
HAD NOT ONLY TO UNRAVEL THE MYSTERIES OF PL-480 FOR  
THEIR UNINITIATED SYRIAN COUNTERPARTS, AND EMBASSY  
COLLEAGUES, BUT HAD ALSO TO OVERCOME THE INITIAL  
DISMAY OF THE SYRIAN NEGOTIATORS WHO WERE UNDER THE  
MISTAKEN IMPRESSION THAT THE USG INTENDED TO OFFER  
THESE COMMODITIES TO SYRIA ON A GRANT BASIS. I  
REQUEST THIS MESSAGE BE MADE A PART OF THESE  
OFFICERS' PERSONNEL FILES.  
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